

REDS WILL BATTLE UNTIL GERMANY SETS UP SOVIET

Rival "Murder Societies" Open Organized Reign of Terror Throughout Ireland

BRITISH SEIZE
SCORES IN ERIN

Prisoners Pour Into Dublin All Day—Two Parliament Members Arrested.

IRISH QUESTION NEAR CRISIS

Claim Made That German Baron Heads Gun-Runners Working in Great Britain.

LONDON, March 28.—Bitter debate on the Irish question when the House of Commons renews discussion of Prime Minister Lloyd George's new home rule bill this week was forecast here today.

Officialdom and the press feared the Irish question is nearing a crisis. The present campaign of murder and violence, they asserted, cannot continue indefinitely.

30 Killed in Ireland. It was pointed out that more than thirty police and soldiers have been killed in Ireland in recent months and that attacks have been made on more than 100 others.

To these lists newspapers added the names of numerous Sinn Fein sympathizers, believed the victims of an anti-Sinn Fein murder society, determined to enforce a policy of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," killing a Sinn Fein leader in revenge for the life of every government supporter taken.

On one side, it was said, stands a society of Sinn Fein radicals, under oath to drive the hated police and military out of Ireland by a series of murders. On the other is the anti-Sinn Fein group, composed of British sympathizers, determined to kill Sinn Fein members in retaliation for every murder of a government supporter.

Murders and counters murders have followed one another in rapid succession recently. The lord mayor of Cork, prominent Sinn Fein leader, was killed in his home, and soon after Alan Bell, magistrate of Dublin Castle and a leading British supporter, was shot down in daylight in the streets of Dublin. Before Bell's body had been buried, James McCarthy, Sinn Fein leader in Thurles, was shot and killed.

DUBLIN, March 28.—The claim that an anti-Sinn Fein band of terrorists has been created in Ireland and is employing the weapon of assassination was made here today by Republican leaders.

They based this declaration upon the assassination yesterday of James McCarthy, prominent Sinn Fein leader, in Tipperary. McCarthy was shot to death by a band of masked men, who broke into his home, at Thurles. The Sinn Feiners in Dublin say that McCarthy was killed in the same way as was Lord Mayor Thomas McCurtain of Cork in his home a week ago.

Laurence Ginnell, Sinn Fein member of Parliament from West Meath, was arrested by the British military authorities. The British military police were active throughout the whole south of Ireland today and many arrests were made.

PRETTY DIVORCEE STRANGLED TO DEATH WITH CHEMISE

Man's Handkerchief In Hand of Slain Woman Only Clue In Mystery

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 28.—Police today are searching for the murderer of Mrs. Ruby Reed, twenty, pretty divorcee, found strangled in her apartment here with a piece of silken negligee bound about her throat.

Marquis Has Wife, But U. S. Divorcee Plans To Wed Him Anyhow

By C. F. BERTELLI, Universal Service.

PARIS, March 28.—The hopes of Mrs. Inez Sprague Stiness for a matrimonial alliance with an Italian marquis have struck a snag, with the result that Parisian society has received the worst shock it has suffered in years.

The prospective noble husband, it is now revealed, is not Marquis Cellini, but instead is the Marquis Santini-Pacinielli, well known in Washington and New York, but barred from marrying for the time being by the fact that he has a wife, an American girl, who is reported to have been living in seclusion in New York since 1914.

Mrs. Stiness and her family have accepted the situation, but nevertheless arrangements are going forward for a big dinner party next week to celebrate the engagement.

Those who have been invited are Paul Painleve, who some months ago was reported engaged to Mrs. Stiness. The novel situation is widely discussed in fashionable circles, where the view is taken that it opens the way to new horizons of matrimonial enterprise. It is argued by some of the more advanced that wedlock is no longer a guarantee for the woman, as men apparently are able to contract new engagements while still married. Discussion of the situation is no longer hampered by secrecy, inasmuch as the bride's family seemingly has decided to disregard the time-worn conventions.

Sociologists to whom the case was reported merely shrugged their shoulders and stated that an upheaval in social conditions is to be expected as a result of post-war conditions, which have made marriage extremely difficult because of the scarcity of men.

The case has been used by some as an argument in favor of Prof. Carnot's suggestion of a volunteer maternity battalion.

ILLINOIS WOMEN MAY GET VOTE AT PRIMARIES

Suffrage Ballots on Presidential Preference Would Be Counted Apart From Men's Votes.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 28.—Illinois women may be permitted to vote at the Presidential primary preference election in this State April 13, it was indicated in an opinion given today by Attorney General Brundage.

"If women are given ballots and these are cast and counted separately from the men's ballots, it would not invalidate the election," said Mr. Brundage.

Mr. Brundage, however, denied that he received a former ruling that women could not legally participate in the primary balloting.

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Ouija "Spirit Tip" Not to Remarry Terminates In \$50,000 Heart Balm Suit

NEW YORK, March 28.—If a departed wife, through the medium of the ouija board or otherwise, tips her husband that it would be better for him not to remarry, would he be justified in breaking an engagement to another woman, and would she be entitled to \$50,000 damages?

Throw Fruit and Candy At Society Leader In Latest Low-Cut Gown

BUDAPEST, March 28.—A Parisian evening gown of daring cut worn by Mme. Iolana S. Szakas, prominent Hungarian society leader, was the cause of a demonstration closely approaching a riot at the opera last night.

Bald Head Chief Won't Give to Hair Restorers Club Members' Names

GREENWICH, Conn., March 28.—Do the members of the bald head club of America desire to grow thatch upon their shining heads which will exclude them from membership? They do not.

Will they harken to the wiles of smooth-talking manufacturers of hair restorers guaranteed to cover their domes with luxuriant hair in a single night, if not sooner? They will not.

Clarence's Pendant For Stealing Religious Books Causes Arrest

ELMIRA, N. Y., March 28.—Clarence Westcott's longing for possession of books upon religious subjects has opened jail doors for him, and he is held at Williamsport, Pa., charged with the theft of a copy of the Bible, "Imitations of Christ," and other works.

GIRL SLAYER PLEADS "TRANSITORY FRENZY"

DURANGO, Col., March 28.—Smilingly confident of acquittal, Caroline Jones, seventeen-year-old school girl, charged with the killing of Carl Day, thirty-five, with a revolver on the streets of Bayfield, near here, today awaits the verdict of a jury that has been listening to testimony in the case during the past week.

MOUNT VESUVIUS IS AGAIN IN ERUPTION

ROME, March 28.—Mt. Vesuvius is in eruption again. No reports have been received of damage or loss of life.

LEPER'S STORY TO BE PROBED

Congressmen Will Interview Isolated Victim of Alleged Brutality in Army.

WANT ADJ. GENERAL TO ACT

Officials Stirred By Sensational Tale Unfolded to Medical Authorities.

Stirred by charges made by Willard Centlivre, twenty-one years old, of New Orleans, that he had been brutally treated while suffering from leprosy in the army following his enlistment, Congressman James O'Connor, of Louisiana, today stated that he is going to give the allegations a thorough probing.

Congressmen to See Victim. Congressman O'Connor, accompanied by Congressman H. Garland Dupre, also of Louisiana, will go to the District quarantine hospital this afternoon and question the leper who walked into the office of the United States Public Health Service at Ohio avenue and Fifteenth street northwest on Thursday afternoon and declared, "I am a leper. You better isolate me."

Among the tortures Centlivre claims he underwent was that of being tied to a tree in cross-like fashion, having been put at hard labor, carrying lumber and digging trenches while he was weak and ill with leprosy. He also revealed that because he had left camp without leave he was court-martialed and sentenced to six months at hard labor, part of which time he spent in a hole, with more than a foot of stagnant water, being forced to sleep on a board propped over the water by bricks.

Centlivre has prepared a typewritten statement of the cruelties he alleges he underwent while in the army and named army officers and surgeons who ordered him to hard labor when he complained of being sick. He claims his illness was not diagnosed as leprosy until he had been in the army for more than a year, and that during that time he had mingled with hundreds of other soldiers. The army surgeons told him he says that he was suffering from a "blood disease" and that the spots on his body would clear up if he did hard labor. The hard labor, he claims, only made the disease the more pronounced.

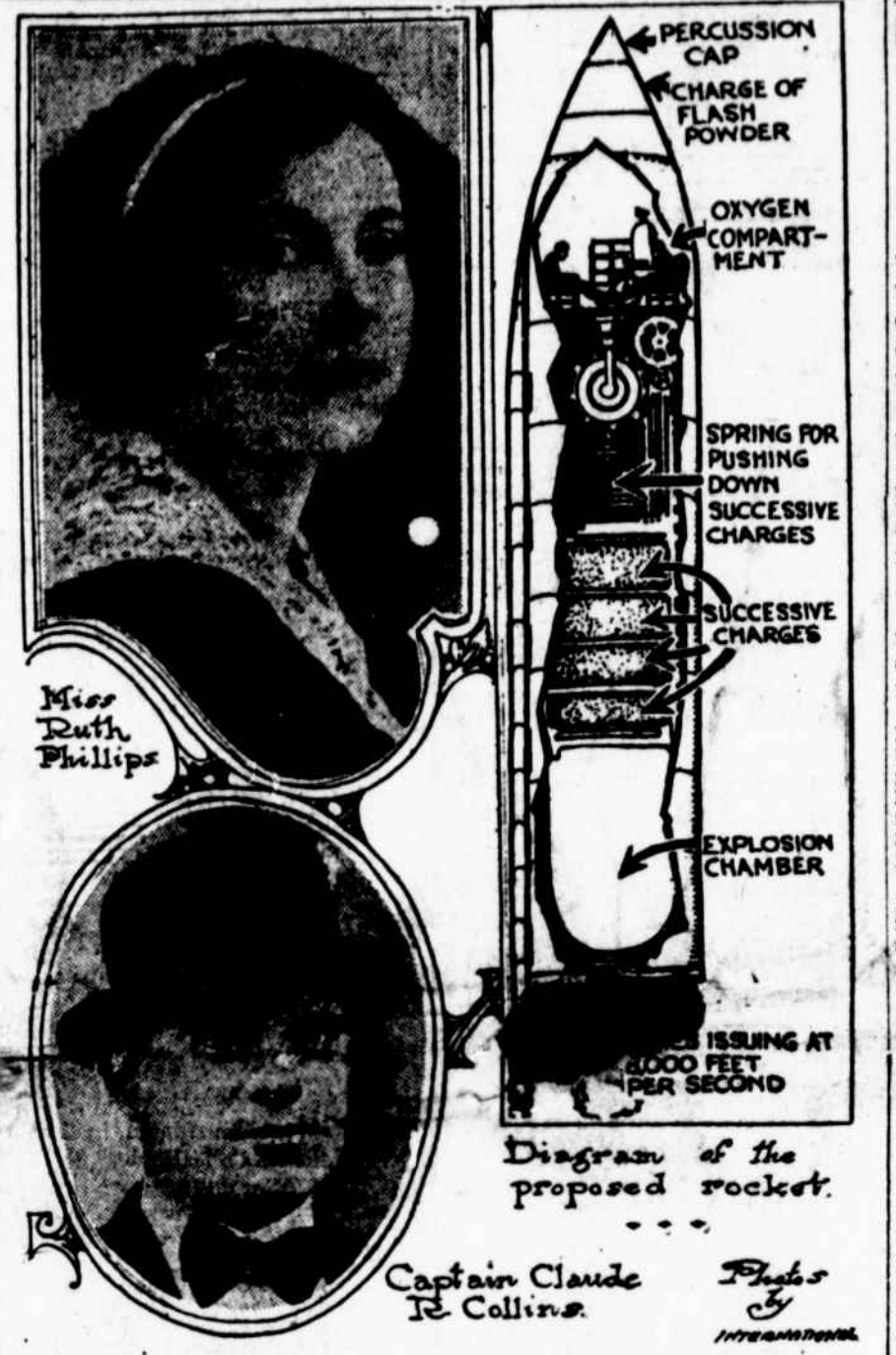
Because of the alleged brutal treatment Centlivre received while at Camp Beauregard, La., over a year (Continued on Page 2, Column 3.)

WOULD BAN IMMODEST DRESSERS FROM CHURCH

Some Women Wear Such Scant Attire Angels Blush Behind Wings, Says Prelate.

MOBILE, Ala., March 28.—"The disgusting modern attire of women" was the subject of an angry sermon by the Rev. J. W. Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, to exclude from the House of God women who attended church in immodest garb. The implied threat of an angry sermon by the Rev. J. W. Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, to exclude from the House of God women who attended church in immodest garb. The implied threat of an angry sermon by the Rev. J. W. Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, to exclude from the House of God women who attended church in immodest garb.

A RMY captain and Kansas City girl, who have volunteered to be shot to Mars on a rocket, and diagram of the proposed vehicle to carry them on their long journey through space.



Girl Wants to Fly To Mars on Rocket With Captain Collins

NEW YORK, March 28.—"If by doing so I could get the American people back of military aviation, I'd even hop to Mars in a rocket."

Collins Still Game. When Claude R. Collins, president of the Aviator's Club, of Pennsylvania, and Captain of the New York city police, made this statement he had no idea that his remark would be taken seriously. It was, however, and now that he has let himself in for it Captain Collins declares he is willing to go through with the plan. Moreover, kindred spirits, among them Miss Ruth Phillips, of Kansas City, Mo., have expressed a willingness to join him in his aerial journey.

Morning Kiss Will Put Divorce Bug to Rout, Says "Marital" Judge

By JUDGE THOMAS F. GRAHAM, San Francisco Divorce Judge, Known as the "Great Reconciler" and "America's Leading Heart Specialist."

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—Excepting the germs of Bolshevism, there is no "bug" more menacing to our general happiness and welfare today than the "divorcitis" maggot.

Easily Becomes Epidemic. Judges to whom the afflicted wife or husband tells the story—uses the palliatives of common sense and the milk of human kindness. The divorce plague is comparatively modern. Just now America seems to be a particularly fertile ground for it, to our tremendous national detriment. With the growth of America's sense (Continued on Page 16, Column 2.)

REBELS MASS 60,000 ARMY

Anti-Government Troops in Rhur District Handicapped By Munitions Shortage.

2 GERMAN ACES ARE KILLED

Fighting Continues But Soviet Forces' Drive Is Commencing to Lack Force.

By FRANK MASON, International News Service.

BERLIN, March 28.—Fighting between the government troops continues in the Ruhr district of western Prussia, according to reports received today, but the zone of hostilities has not been extended.

It is reported from Munster, capital of Westphalia, that the Red offensive is losing its force because of lack of artillery and technical appliances and the difficulty of recruiting fighters.

Two Aces Killed. Wesel is still held by the Reichswehr (government troops), although a detachment of rebels succeeded in entering the suburbs.

Two German "aces," Captain Berthold, who was credited with bringing down forty-four allied airplanes during the world war, and Lieutenant Buechner, who was credited with forty air victories, have been killed in the fighting in the Ruhr district.

Leaders of the Ruhr rebels claim to have 60,000 men under arms and have issued a proclamation that "war should be continued until a soviet is established."

RADICALS OPEN FIGHT AGAINST MILITARISM

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND, (Universal Service.)

BERLIN, March 28.—Under covert threats of a renewal of the general strike, the radical elements of the two Socialist parties and organized labor are opening a fight against what they term "the last remnants of militarism in Germany."

The word has been passed along the entire line from some central source that there is a reign of terror in various sections of the country, and that there is but one solution to the problem of the internal difficulties of the nation—demobilization and disarming of the whole national guard.

As all the miners' leaders and other adherents of the radicals use almost identical phrases and arguments, the suspicion has been general that a carefully worked out propaganda is being launched against the existing military organizations of the country, with a view to their complete demobilization as a means of clearing the path for the radicals to obtain control of the government without bloodshed, by removing all military opposition.

Labor Sees Trick. The greatest emphasis is laid upon the fact that only where there are military forces have disorders been reported. There is also an ugly feeling in labor circles because of the attempt of the government to bring troops from south Germany for concentration in Westphalia. Labor leaders declare this is merely another violation of the agreement between the government and the trades unions for calling on the general strike.

A conference of representatives of the two Socialist parties and the league of trades unions, representing 1,000,000 radical working men's councils, was held yesterday. The conferees appointed a committee which presented the following demands to President Ebert on behalf of the workers:

- 1.—Immediate disarmament and demobilization of all counter revolutionary troops; that is, all troops that fought against the working men or are now fighting against them.
- 2.—The arrest of all officers of such troops, and their trial before a court of working men.
- 3.—Immediate seizure of all weapons in possession of the bourgeois and delivery of the same to the working men's councils.
- 4.—Distribution of arms among the organized workers.
- 5.—Creation of a working men's armed defense formation, under direction of the working men's councils.
- 6.—Immediate convening of a national congress of working men's councils.

A meeting of delegates from all the working men's councils held later in the day authorized the executive committee to take immediate steps for a renewal of the general strike.

BERLIN, March 28.—Supporters of the government of President Ebert today hoped for rapid restoration of order throughout the nation, following the formation of a new cabinet, under the chancellorship of Hermann Mueller.

They believed the party representa-

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